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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER,

Trustees of Greely Institute,

AND

SUPERVISOR OF SCHOOLS,

OF THE

TOWN OF CUMBERLAND,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 6, 1875.

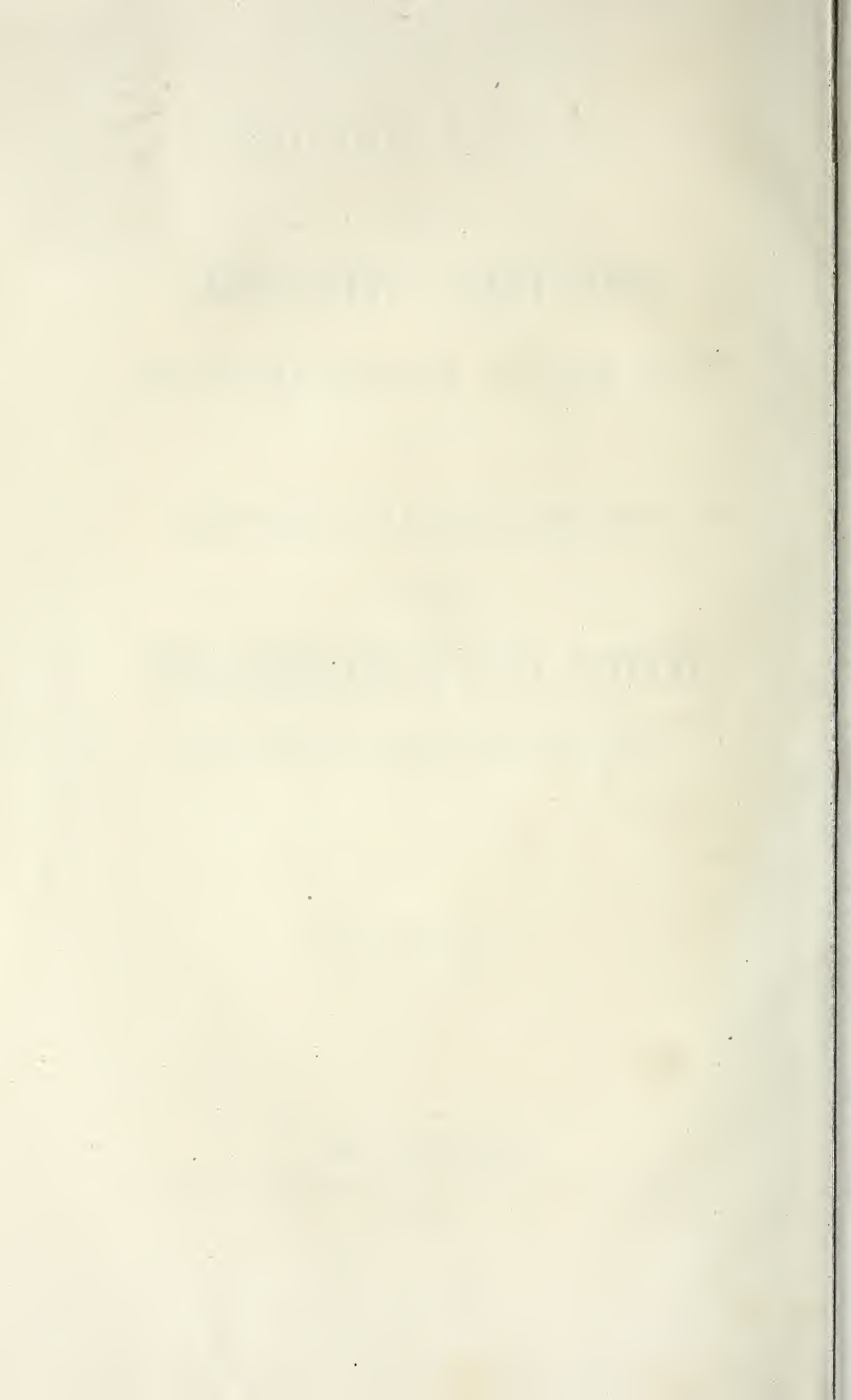


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REPORT.

MONEY RAISED MARCH, 1874.

For Schools,	\$1,300 80
“ Highways,	1,000 00
“ Support of Poor,	800 00
“ Notes and Interest,	2,000 00
“ Contingent Bills,	1,000 00
“ Collector's Premium,	144 29
Overlayings,	262 53
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	\$6,507 62
Additional Assessments,	40 08
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Total amount of assessments for all town purposes,	\$6,547 70
Valuation,	\$534,750 00
Additional valuation,	1,880 00
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Total valuation,	\$536,630 00
No. of Polls, 392.	
No. of Dogs, 60.	
Rate, \$1.60 per \$100.00.	
State tax,	\$2,563 59
County tax,	723 79
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Total amount of bills committed to Collector,	\$9,835 08

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Ai. M. Small, Surveyor for labor,	\$26 50
E. T. Hall, " " "	16 80
C. E. Herrick, " " "	57 21
Samuel Winch, " " "	84 10
R. L. Abbott, " " "	35 00
H. Eaton, " " "	71 05
C. H. Morrill, " " "	60 50
R. J. Duran, " " "	35 00
Samuel Winch, " " "	17 23
Roswell E. Hamilton, " " "	42 97
B. B. Sweetsir, " " "	39 60
Enos Pool, " " "	51 70
Geo. S. Doughty, " " "	20 00
Lewis Merrill, " " "	40 22
J. N. Farwell, " " "	25 95
A. M. Small, " " "	3 25
Lewis Merrill, " " "	4 78
Wm. T. Littlefield, " " "	55 05
S. M. Brackett, " " "	63 15
Hollis St. Clair, " " "	60 20
Roswell E. Hamilton, " " "	25 15
David Peterson, " " "	51 80
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Sum expended,	\$888 26
Amount raised by town,	1,000 00
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Balance in favor of town,	\$111 74

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Paid Insane Hospital, bill for Mitchell, Eaton & Jones,	\$100 40
M. S. Rideout, board Mrs. Sweetsir,	32 50
S. Rich & Son, coffin for John Sutherland,	9 25
Jordan Brown, for care of " "	30 00
J. Black, board Mrs. Morrison,	12 00
W. W. Thomas, M. D. att'd on wife John Hamilton,	6 00
J. Black, board Mrs. Morrison,	12 50

R. Rideout, burial of John Sutherland,	5 50
Insane Hospital, bill for Mitchell, Eaton & Jones,	90 60
M. S. Rideout, board Mrs. Sweetsir,	32 50
J. Black, in full board Mrs. Morrison,	8 00
M. S. Rideout, board Mrs. Sweetsir,	32 50
Insane Hospital, bill for Eaton & Jones,	70 28
C. H. Blanchard, in full for board of F. W. Blanchard,	17 00
L. Ingalls, M. D., for family Abner Tuttle,	15 00
B. Thompson, board Betsy Hamilton,	26 00
M. S. Rideout, board Mrs. Sweetsir,	32 50
J. S. Frost, board S. Simmons,	39 43
David Allen, board Mrs. Morrison,	40 00
Insane Hospital, bill for Eaton & Jones,	82 39
Overseers Poor Cape Elizabeth, for J. N. Doughty,	21 00
M. W. Hall, M. D., att'd on John Sutherland,	5 00
Hamilton & Co., supplies furnished &c., on Island,	88 00
Barnawell Thompson, board of Betsy Hamilton,	26 00
Asa Sawyer, board of transient paupers,	6 40
Sum expended,	<hr/> \$840 75
Sum raised by town,	800 00
Balance against town,	<hr/> \$40 75

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid interest on \$1,000 note,	75 00
“ note,	6 72
“ Greely Institute \$318 note,	19 08
“ note,	43 47
“ Greely Institute \$6,000 and 500 notes,	195 00
“ Greely Institute note,	318 00
“ Greely Institute \$12,000 & 2,000 notes,	480 00
“ three notes,	270 00
“ Greely Institute note,	50 00
“ “ “ \$12,000 note,	360 00
“ “ “ 500 “	15 00
“ “ “ 6,000 “	180 00
“ Treasurer Cumberland school fund interest on town note,	52 62
Sum expended,	<hr/> \$2,064 89
Amount raised by town,	2,000 00
Balance against town,	<hr/> \$64 89

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Paid Isaiah Mansfield, snow bill,	\$14 40
A. S. Sweetsir, as per vote of town,	2 00
A. J. Osgood, Moderator, per vote of town,	2 00
F. P. Blanchard, snow bill,	46 80
M. W. Pearson, " "	12 50
Benjamin Goodenow, as per vote of town,	15 00
C. H. Blanchard, snow bill,	28 25
James F. Latham, " "	4 00
C. E. Herrick, witness fees,	8 82
" " labor on highway,	2 27
Edward Butler, telegram,	1 00
Joseph Sawyer, witness fees,	8 94
N. M. Shaw, snow bill,	19 50
Wm. Russell, labor on highway,	17 00
Levi Lufkin, witness fees,	6 69
Wm. M. Marks, printing town reports of 1873,	28 00
Lewis Merrill, witness fees,	8 94
Silas Skillin, plan of road,	8 00
Wm. Russell, snow bill,	2 40
Dresser, McLellan & Co., stationery,	21 00
Catharine Merrill, witness fees,	8 94
W. S. Blanchard, to paid eight out town witness fees,	69 42
John Wilson, witness fees,	7 10
E. T. Hall, bridge plank,	4 25
J. S. Loring, plastering on town house,	4 37
J. N. Farwell, labor on town house,	12 50
C. M. Farwell, " " "	4 50
Eben Merrill, snow bill,	2 80
" " witness fees,	5 94
Edward Butler, shingles for town house,	30 07
S. T. Merrill, hauling shingles,	1 00
Wm. S. Blanchard, labor and materials for grave yard fence,	25 70
Trustees of Greely Institute, for mortar for town house,	2 75

Thomes & Blanchard, nails for town house,	3 69
E. T. Hall, wood for town house,	2 00
W. L. Prince, witness fees,	7 44
Strout & Gage, printing bill,	125 00
Bela Blanchard, witness fees,	1 12
Peter Merrill, snow bill,	3 72
“ “ witness fees,	8 60
P. A. Merrill, posts and rails for road,	3 00
C. M. Farwell, Coll., taxes bid in by town with costs,	54 60
S. T. Merrill, Treas., “ “ “ “ “	55 32
Stephen B. Hamilton, services as Selectman and Overseer of poor,	19 25
Levi Lufkin, services as Constable,	10 50
W. H. Blanchard, mason work on town house,	1 75
Lyman P. Sturdivant, services and travel, &c., as Supervisor,	75 66
C. M. Farwell, Coll., premium in full for 1873 tax,	101 96
W. S. Blanchard, for plank and labor on town house,	12 37
Asa Sawyer, labor on town house,	2 90
C. W. Bucknam, hearse, runners and cover for same,	287 00
Edward Butler and others, freight and repairs on hearse,	14 40
Charles Wyman, witness fees,	7 44
Wm. S. Blanchard, services and traveling expenses as Selectman and Overseer of Poor,	93 69
Thomas B. Reed, counsel for town in 1873 as per bill,	96 25
Asa Sawyer, services as Selectman and Overseer of Poor with travelling expenses,	90 25
S. T. Merrill, services as Treasurer of town,	40 00
“ “ surveyor labor on highway, 1873,	2 35
“ “ auditing town accounts, March 5, 1874,	1 50
Sum expended,	<hr/> \$1,558 61
Sum raised by town,	<hr/> 1,000 00
Balance against town,	<hr/> \$558 61

ABATEMENTS.

Abated on C. M. Farwell's tax lists for 1872, as per vote	
of town,	\$ 2 80
Abated on C. M. Farwell's tax lists for 1873, as per vote	
of town,	218 05
Abatements by Selectmen on tax lists of 1872,	8 70
" " " " 1873,	29 90
" " " " 1874,	29 74
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Total,	\$289 19

SUMMARY.

Amount raised for highway,	\$1,000 00 ;	expended, \$888 26
" " poor,	800 00 ;	" 840 75
" " notes and int.,	2,000 00 ;	" 2,064 89
" " contingent,	1,000 00 ;	" 1,558 61
" " Coll. premium,	144 29 ;	
" " overlayings,	262 53 ;	
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	\$5,206 82	
Additional assesment,	40 08	\$5,352 51
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Total,	\$5,246 90	\$5,246 90
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Balance against town,		\$105 61
Amount of abatements,		289 19
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Total balance against town,		\$394 80

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts and find the same correctly cast, and properly vouched.

WM. L. PRINCE, Auditor of Cumberland.

TOWN LIABILITIES.

Notes due individuals,	\$ 4,925 00
“ “ Greely Institute,	20,500 00
“ “ Cumberland School Fund,	877 00
Balance due school districts,	251 01
Outstanding bills estimated at	720 00
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Liabilities,	\$27,273 01

AVAILABILITIES.

Balance due from Treasurer, March, 1874,	\$2,699 06
Due from individuals, taxes bid in by town,	195 95
Notes and interest secured by mortgage deeds,	636 00
Due from State, State mill tax,	548 65
“ “ “ Savings Bank and State Fund,	392 89
“ “ John Jones, Bank book in Treasurer's hands,	109 27
“ “ Town of Freeport on pauper charge,	15 00
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Availabilities,	\$4,596 82
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Balance against town,	\$22,676 19

WILLIAM S. BLANCHARD,	} Selectmen of Cumberland.
ASA SAWYER,	
STEPHEN B. HAMILTON,	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance in Treasury, March, 1874,	\$2,699 06
Received from tax deeds redeemed,	89 89
" " note held by town,	296 00
Assessors commitment for 1874,	6,547 70
Cash received from Selectmen,	28 90
" " " State for Free High School,	500 00
" " " Cumberland School Fund,	102 62
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Total,	\$10,264 17
Paid out town orders,	\$7,851 02
" " as per receipt from Trustees Greely Institute,	500 00
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	\$8,351 02
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Balance due town,	\$1,913 15
Amount due from collector, 1871,	\$18 00
" " " " 1873,	8 70
" " " " 1874,	1,848 02
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Total amount due from collectors,	\$1,874 72
Cash to balance,	38 43
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	\$1,913 15

S. T. MERRILL, Treasurer of Cumberland.

Due on State tax for 1874,	\$2,563 59
" County tax for 1874,	423 79
" Town tax for 1874,	1,848 02
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Total due for 1874,	\$4,835 40
Total due town for 1873,	\$8 70
" " " " 1871,	18 00
" " " from collectors,	1,874 72
" " State and County from collectors,	2,987 38
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Total due from Collectors,	\$4,862 10

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE.

The Spring term of this school, commenced March 16th, with whole number of scholars, seventy-five. G. M. Seiders, as Principal, and Miss O. M. Barron, as 1st Assistant, and Miss M. E. Osgood, 2nd Assistant, and continued eleven weeks.

The Fall term commenced Aug. 31st, with fifty-nine scholars, whole number. W. R. Hemmenway, as Principal, Miss M. G. Buxton, 1st Assistant, and continued twelve weeks, at the expiration of this the school dedicated the new hall in the 2nd story, by an exhibition. In the vacation between this and the winter term, your trustees thought it necessary to put in a new furnace, one of the Barstow Dome Furnaces was selected which gives entire satisfaction.

Winter term commenced Dec. 7th, under the same instructors, and continued eleven weeks, whole number of scholars, fifty-one. This term closed up with a good exhibition of the school.

The Spring term commenced March 8th, 1875, under the charge of the same instructors, with favorable prospects. Eighty dollars worth of new books have been added to the library during the year, which gives the scholars a good variety of reading.

PHILOSOPHICAL FUND.

For amount in Portland Savings Bank,	\$406 17
May and November dividends,	24 72
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Balance in Bank,	\$430 89

LIBRARY FUND.

For amount in Portland Savings Bank,	\$507 48
May and November dividends,	29 52
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	\$537 00
Cash drawn as per bills,	45 00
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Balance in bank,	\$492 00

The amount drawn was expended for books for the library, and are now in the library, also \$35.00 worth, proceeds of course lectures, winter of 1874, which makes an addition of \$80.00 worth of fresh books now in library.

PERMANENT FUND.

For town of Cumberland note,	\$12,000 00
“ “ “ “ “	6,000 00
“ “ “ “ “	2,000 00
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Total,	\$20,000 00

ACCUMULATED.

For town of Cumberland note,	\$500 00
“ amount in Portland Savings Bank,	500 00
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Total,	\$1,000 00
For amount due on tuition book previous to spring term, 1875,	7 00
For cash balance on accounts,	87 15
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Total,	\$1,094 15

TRUSTEES OF GREELY INSTITUTE,

In account with 2nd story Greely Institute.

Bills paid S. C. Kilburn, lathing,	\$9 52
“ Wm. D. Little & Co., for permit to finish,	3 00
“ M. C. R. R., freight on lumber,	6 87
“ “ “ “ “	6 72
“ J. S. Loring, plastering,	19 25
“ Rufus Deering & Co., for lumber,	166 72
“ Harris, Atwood & Co., lime and hair,	22 58
“ Emery & Waterhouse, hardware,	30 58
“ A. Frank, tending masons,	5 60
“ W. H. Blanchard, plastering,	24 50
“ John N. Farwell & Rideout, carpenters, for labor,	48 25
“ Chas. M. Farwell, carpenter, for labor,	39 50
“ S. T. Merrill, hauling lumber,	2 00
“ Asa Sawyer, for labor,	30 00
“ C. M. Rice, for sheathing paper,	4 50
“ C. H. Blanchard, & Son, plastering,	9 00
“ R. Hoyt, carpenter, for labor,	13 80
“ Emery & Waterhouse, hardware,	4 07
“ Rufus Deering & Co., for 4 doors,	15 48
“ Wm. S. Blanchard, for labor and materials,	59 80
“ Rufus Deering & Co., moldings,	2 27
“ Reuben Hoyt, carpenter, labor on stage,	3 80
“ Asa Sawyer, for labor and materials,	10 72
“ F. & C. B. Nash, for register,	1 45
“ Thomes & Blanchard, as per bill,	1 43
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Total paid out,	\$541 41
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By cash received for materials sold,	20 53
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Net cost of finish 2nd story of Institute,	\$520 88
March 5, 1875.	
Balance of tuitions not expended,	\$30 87

DR. *General income from permanent fund and other*

Paid Wm. D. Little & Co., insurance,	\$45 75
Geo. M. Seiders, as per bill,	5 71
A. Evans, for chairs,	5 00
J. H. Poor & Bros., coal and cartage,	3 00
R. Rideout & Son, crayons,	1 30
Geo. M. Seiders, instruction, Spring term,	366 66
" " as per bill,	10 55
Olive M. Barron, instruction, Spring term,	121 00
Fred W. Sturdivant, care of Institute, Spring term,	20 00
J. Sawyer, privy boxes,	5 00
Wm. M. Marks, for catalogues,	27 00
M. E. Osgood, as per bill,	6 50
J. B. Ficket, patent composition for black boards,	4 42
J. S. Loring, labor, repairing plastering in school room,	3 50
W. H. Blanchard, " " "	3 50
Proprietors Eastern Argus, advertising,	3 75
" Daily Press, " "	5 25
Reuben Hoyt, repairs as per bill,	2 00
W. H. Blanchard, work on cellar way,	1 50
D. M. Lawrence, for coal, as per bill,	99 00
Z. E. G. Prince, hauling coal,	21 40
Mortar and lumber for cellar ways and doors,	6 00
Thomes & Blanchard, as per bill,	4 48
W. H. Skillin, painting cellar doors,	50
E. T. Hall, one cord hard wood,	6 00
W. R. Hemmenway, instruction, Fall term,	300 00
M. G. Buxton, " " "	120 00
H. E. Sawyer, care of Institute, " " "	20 00
S. L. Farwell, painting black boards,	1 25
L. P. Sturdivant, for services rendered,	3 00
N. M. Perkins, glass for book case,	95
Perkins, Hay & Phillips, as per bill,	3 20
W. R. Hemmenway, instruction, Winter term,	350 00
M. G. Buxton, " " "	110 00
John Barstow, care of Institute, " "	20 00
Thomas B. Reed, for counsel,	15 00
Bailey & Noyes, printing cards,	1 00
Nutter Bros. & Co., dome furnace,	226 73
Wm. S. Blanchard, labor on Institute,	10 00
Net cost of finishing 2d story of Institute as per account on page 170, tuition book,	520 88
Wm. S. Blanchard, for services as Trustee,	19 50
Asa Sawyer, as per bill,	15 62
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	\$2,525 90
Cash to balance,	87 15
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	\$2,613 05

<i>sources in acc't with Trustees of Greely Institute.</i>		CR.
By Cash balance from 1873,		\$101 67
Cash drawn from Portland Savings Bank,		557 55
Interest on \$6,000 and \$500 town notes,		195 00
Interest on \$12,000 and \$2,000 town notes,		480 00
Cash received from town note accumulated fund,		318 00
Interest on \$318 town note,		19 08
“ \$12,000, \$2,000, and \$500 town notes,		425 00
Cash received for tuitions due previous to Spring term of 1874, as per Trustees report, 1873,		84 00
Cash received of W. R. Hemmenway, Principal Institute,		50 00
Cash received of Treasurer Cumberland Musical Society,		30 00
Cash for tuition Spring term,		97 75
“ “ Fall term,		51 00
“ “ Winter term,		24 00
Interest on \$6,000 town note,		180 00
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WILLIAM S. BLANCHARD,	}	Trustees of Greely Institute.
ASA SAWYER,		
STEPHEN B. HAMILTON,		

SCHOOL REPORT.

CITIZENS OF CUMBERLAND :

In reviewing the condition and progress of the schools in town, for the last year, I find much to commend, and some things to condemn.

At the beginning of the year many of our old teachers of established reputation, left town and sought other fields of labor; and your Supervisor has had to deal with a corps of entirely new and in some cases, inexperienced teachers. Two of our teachers had never taught before, and four had only taught one term. But notwithstanding these drawbacks, our schools have enjoyed a fair degree of prosperity. For, although our teachers have not all been of great experience, and "born to command," nearly all have been earnest, faithful, and hard working ladies and gentlemen; and as a rule, our money has been quite well expended.

Of the eleven districts whose schools have been under my charge, six have expended their money in three terms of school.

The benefit of this plan in large, powerful districts, will be seen at once; but in small, weak districts, the plan has been a failure. Of the eighteen terms of school which have been held in these six districts, six have been of only seven weeks each. It generally requires about five weeks for scholars to settle themselves down to the term business, and as a rule, they will learn as much in the last four weeks, as in the first six. My opinion is, that, "had these districts expended their money in two terms of equal length, more benefit would have been obtained." After a thorough examination of the matter, I thought it best to take Eaton's Arithmetics out of the schools, and as the Trustees of Greely Institute adopted Greenleaf's New Series of Mathematics for that school, I adopted

the same series to be used in the town schools. These books have been furnished to the scholars at two-thirds of the retail price, and I think that the results have justified the exchange.

SCHOOL MONEY.

Amount raised by Town,	\$1,300 80
“ received from Town Fund,	102 62
“ “ “ State Mill Tax,	548 65
“ “ “ Bank Tax and State Fund,	392 89
Total,	<u>\$2,344 96</u>

By law the Selectmen and Supervisor may apportion ten per cent. of all the school money among the smaller districts, in such a manner as shall give them a more equal school privilege with other districts. This has been done as will be seen. Ten per cent., \$233.54.

Dist.	No. schol's.	10 pr ct.	Total.	Dist.	No. schol's.	10 pr ct.	Total.
No. 1.	40.	\$25.58.	\$179.98	No. 7.	39	\$5.28.	\$155.82
2.	64.	25.00.	272.04	8.	94	00.00.	362.84
3.	82.	00.00.	316.52	9.	110	00.00.	424.60
4.	32.	41.00.	164.50	11.	12	33.68.	80.00
5.	36.	35.00.	173.96	12.	6	10.00.	33.16
6.	4.	30.00.	45.44	13.	28	28.00.	136.08

The condition and progress of the schools, as nearly as I could ascertain by visiting them has been as follows :

DISTRICT No. 1.

Agent, Moses Starling, Summer term taught by Flora Starling.

This was Miss Starling's first attempt at teaching, and was made in her own school district. There was some feeling in the district against employing one of its own scholars, and especially one of so little experience. At my first visit the order was good, and the recitations creditable. At my last visit the school was not so orderly, but good improvement was made, especially in the reading classes. I consider this to have been a profitable term of school.

Fall term. Taught by the same teacher.

I am of the opinion that Miss S. should not have attempted another term in this district. The feeling against the teacher, of which I have spoken, became more strongly developed. Some of the scholars did not attend regularly; the teacher became discouraged, and the school did not make the improvement it should have made. I would say to the people of this district, no matter how poor a school you have, if you do not see that your scholars attend, and attend regularly, you are not doing your part to make your school profitable.

Winter term. Taught by Ellen Blanchard.

Miss Blanchard seems to have a good understanding of the nature of the scholars of this district. At my last visit the recitations were prompt, and the order good. The teacher and scholars seemed to be interested, and the school was a profitable one.

DISTRICT No. 2.

Agent, Asa Merrill. Summer term taught by Miss M. S. Sturdivant.

Miss S. is a fine scholar and good instructor. The scholars in this school are ambitious, intelligent, and well advanced in study. The order and improvement were good, and the school was satisfactory.

Winter term, taught by Charles A. Chase.

Mr. C. has a good education, and is very energetic. "Business" is his motto in the school room. Good order was maintained throughout the term, and had not sickness broken out in the school, cutting the attendance down to nine scholars (at one time) the school would have been as profitable as any the district has ever had. As it was, the school was a good one, and the money well expended.

DISTRICT No. 3.

Agent, John Wilson. Teacher, Mary S. Rideout.

This district has had three terms a year for some years past, and employs the same teacher for three terms. Miss R. is an

estimable lady, and well fitted for the position she occupies. The children are all under twelve years of age, and therefore do not need to be kept under such discipline as would be required under other circumstances. The teacher is kind in management, and thorough in her instruction, and the results which must necessarily follow such management, were all that could be desired. Having much confidence in Miss R. as a teacher, I have not visited her school twice every term. In my judgment such attention was not necessary.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Agent, Levi Morrill. Summer term taught by Sophronia Leighton.

As I was not notified of the closing of this school in season, I did not visit it this term but once. At this visit the school appeared well, although teachers and scholars seemed too diffident, as though they were afraid to disturb the quiet of the school room. My impression is that Miss L. was not energetic enough to secure such results as I could wish. Still this was a fair school.

Fall Term. Helen M. Lawrence, Teacher.

Miss L. is just the teacher for this school. The scholars appeared to be delighted with their teacher, and willing to do all in their power to aid her. The improvement in all branches of study was noticeable, and the order was excellent. If this teacher could have been retained another term, both parents and supervisor would have been pleased.

Winter Term. Taught by Olive Merrill.

Miss M. is a teacher of considerable experience, and seem determined to excel in her profession. She is a thorough teacher and a good disciplinarian, (though this last qualification is not required in this school.) The scholars made good improvement this term, especially the classes in reading, which read louder than I have ever heard them before. It is due to the scholars to say, that this is one of the best dispositioned and easiest schools to govern in town.

DISTRICT No. 5.

P. H. Leighton, Agent. Summer Term. Taught by Celia Whitney.

This teacher is a good scholar, and has the elements of a good teacher. This was her first school. When I first visited it I found the teacher discouraged, and apparently afraid of her scholars. The order was quite poor, I gave her such advice as I thought necessary. At my second visit I found that many of the larger scholars had left school to attend to farming, and the teacher had about eighteen scholars mostly small ones. With these she was doing nicely, she was more self-possessed and more careful in her instruction. I think (taking every thing into consideration) that this was a fair school.

Fall Term. Taught by Belle Orne.

Miss Orne is a good instructor, and also a good disciplinarian, rather too severe if any thing, for the school she had charge of. But she was thorough in her instruction, and the school made good improvement.

Winter Term. Taught by Lucy Hutchinson.

Miss H. has a talent for teaching, and the district were much pleased with her school. The large scholars in this school added much to the interest, and were particularly noticeable for their good deportment, and perfect recitations. This school was a profitable one, and Miss H. is one of the best teachers we have had in town this year.

DISTRICT No. 6.

William Loring, Agent.

This school is under supervision of Yarmouth.

DISTRICT No. 7.

E. G. Prince, Agent. Teacher, Lizzie C. Princé.

Miss Prince is one of the best teachers we have had in town ; and I believe she gave entire satisfaction. She taught the two terms and so the school did not have to be reorganized, which was a great saving of time and labor.

DISTRICT No. 8.

Isaac Strout, Agent. Summer Term. Taught by Etta A. Littlefield.

When I first visited this school I thought it bade fair to be the best in town. The order was good, and the pupils appeared to be interested in their studies. At the close of the term there appeared to be a lack of interest, many of the recitations were good, but others were not what they should have been. I learned from the teacher that the attendance was very irregular, which will account for the short comings of this school.

Fall Term. Alma M. Brackett, teacher.

This teacher is young, but very ambitious; the scholars liked her and made good progress.

Winter Term. L. P. Sturdivant, Teacher.

DISTRICT No. 9.

Agent, E. W. Hamilton. Summer and Fall Terms taught by Julia C. Duran. Miss Duran had a larger number of scholars than any other teacher of the summer schools. She was prompt, energetic, and thorough. Both terms were profitable.

Winter Term, taught by A. G. Ladd, A. B.

It is seldom that I have seen scholars so well satisfied with their teacher as were these with Mr. L. He is always pleasant and kind, and his school was interesting and profitable. I think that every one was well satisfied.

DISTRICT No. 11. (Crotch Island.)

Moses Pettengill, Agent. Teacher, Medora Dellows.

I made but one attempt to visit this school, and then I found that the teacher had gone home on a visit. I learned from the agent that she was doing well, and the people were well satisfied.

DISTRICT No. 12.

There are but six scholars in this district, and they attend school out of town.

DISTRICT No. 13.

Horace Farwell, Agent. Summer Term taught by Olive A. Merrill.

It will hardly be necessary for me to say that Miss M. taught a first rate school. She was strict and thorough, and a school taught by her is always a good one.

Winter Term, taught by M. W. Morgan.

Mr. M.'s school was only six weeks in length. But notwithstanding the shortness of the term, good improvement was made, and I think he will make an excellent teacher.

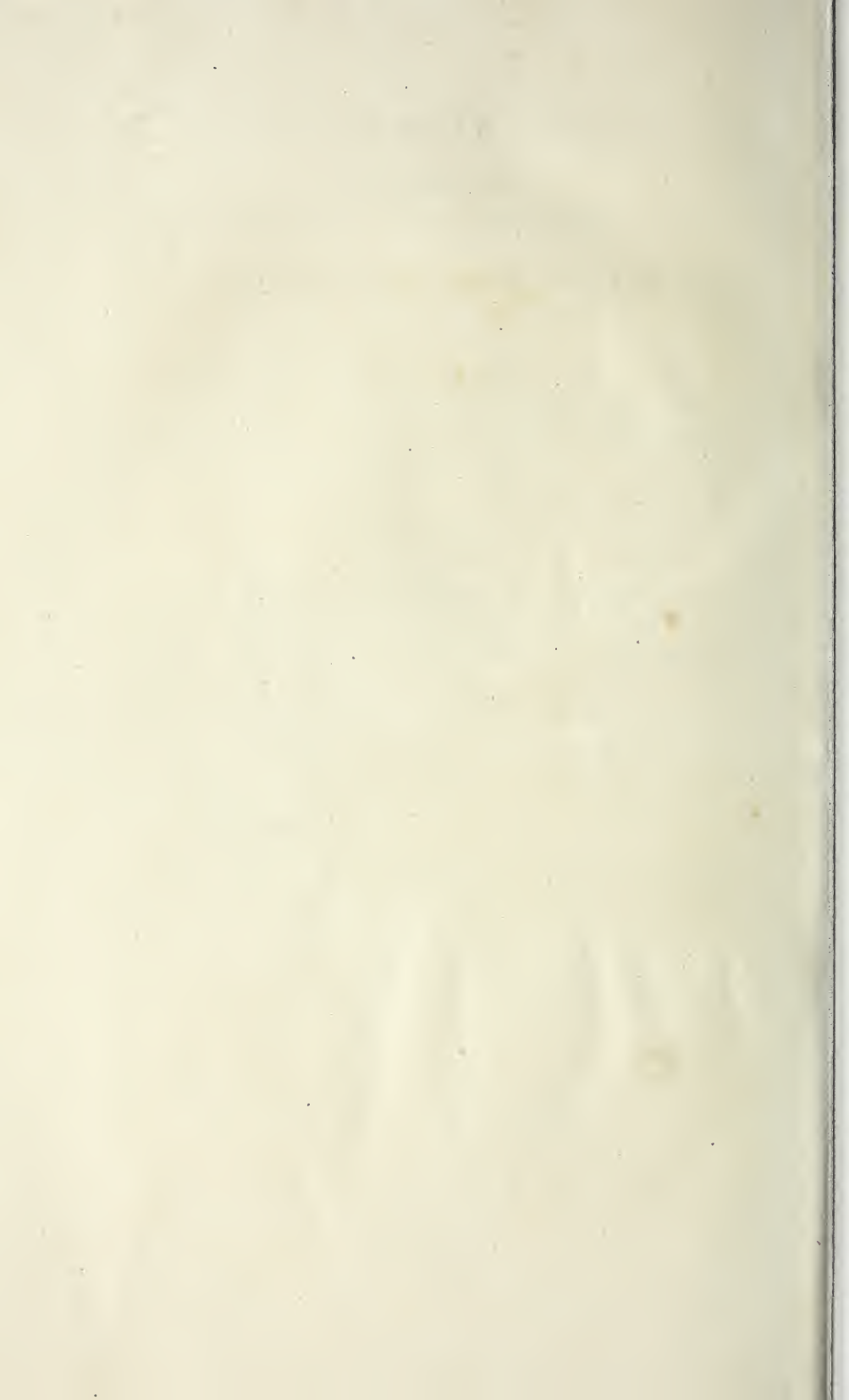
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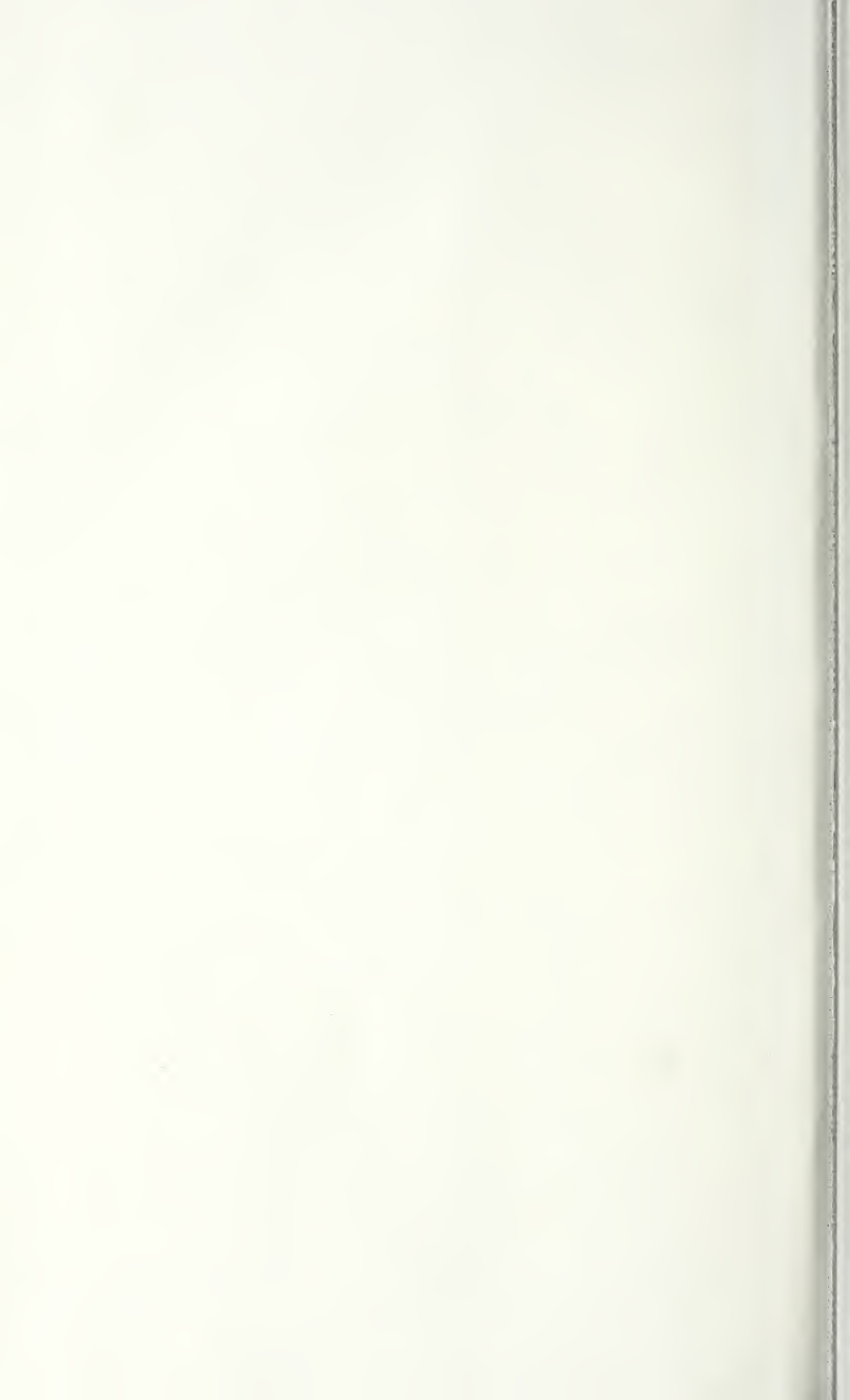
You have arrived at the beginning of a new school year, and it should be your endeavor to see that your school money is well expended. A new page is opened to you, and it remains for you to decide whether success or defeat shall be written upon it. Let nothing remain undone to secure good teachers at their true value. I think it will be well to re-elect the district agents of last year for this reason. If they have made poor selections in the past, they now see where they have failed ; and will be careful not to make the same mistake again.

During the year in which I have been your Supervisor, I have tried to perform my duties faithfully, and I thank you for the honor conferred upon me.

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. STURDIVANT, Supervisor of Schools.





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